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Further to the Notice of Allowance dated July 1, 2009, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of the AW and AX references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 16, 2006, by initialing the associated Form PTO-1449. The Office Action dated January 7, 2008, asserted "references not provided". However, Applicants did provide these references, and the Patent Office received these references from Applicants. See <u>U.S. Patent Office's Private PAIR system</u>.

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